



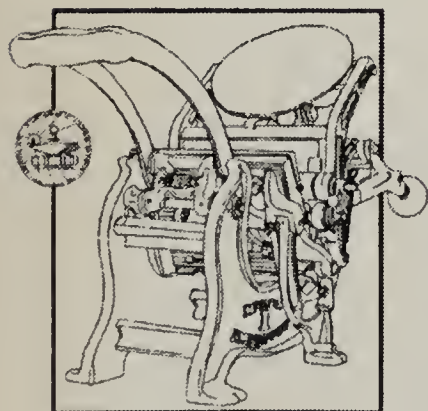
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President's Message

I need to remind all ILNA members of the importance of voting. In a few weeks you will receive a ballot to elect five ILNA board members. In this Digest is a bio on the three new candidates. All new candidates and the candidates running for re-election would make excellent board members. So please vote for the five you wish to run ILNA. Also on the ballot are the changes to the ILNA Constitution/By Laws. So please read and vote yes if you approve the changes. Also note that the ballot must be

mailed to the address on the ballot, or you can deliver the ballot in person at the Fall Convention. The election results will be announced at the general membership meeting on the last day of the convention.

Speaking of the Fall Show, we will be playing host to the Central States Numismatic Society on September 4th to the 7th, 2003. We have 120 dealer tables. I am pleased and proud to report that all are **SOLD OUT**. Thursday 2:30pm to 7:00pm is dealer setup and early bird badges. The hours on Friday and Saturday are 10:00 am to 6:00pm and Sunday 10:00am to 3:30pm. The show is at the Park Place banquet hall in Countryside, Illinois located at 6200 Joliet Road. As always we will have educational seminars all day Saturday on the stage. We will also be giving out some nice exhibit awards. To place an exhibit and to receive an application, please write Roy Kuester, P.O. Box 1424 Centralia Illinois 62801. Last year's best Of Show winner received a ½ **ounce American Gold Eagle**. On Sunday we will have a youth auction at 12:30pm for all the young numismatists. Fox Valley Coin Auction will conduct a coin and currency auction on Friday and Saturday night at 6:00pm across the street at the Holiday Inn on the seventh floor room 729. You can view the auction lots on the stage during the show hours. Last year's auction was highly successful, and I look forward to this year's being just as good if not better.

If you are looking for a place to stay a night or two, ILNA has a special rate at the Holiday Inn of \$98.00 a night plus tax. Just ask for the convention rate for INA that is right INA, when you make your reservation. You can call for a reservation at 1-708-354-4200.

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President's Message *(Cont.)*

The address for the ILNA website is <http://www.ilnaclub.org>. The website has so much to offer. You must see it for yourself. It looks great, easy to navigate, informative, educational, and constantly updated. You can get up-to-the-minute prices on precious metal on the introduction page, and so much more. Log on today and get informed.

Before I forget if for some reason you cannot make it to this year's show, then please buy some raffle tickets. They should be in the mail to you. If you did not receive any raffle tickets, call me at 1-618-397-4839, email me at HUG511@aol.com, or write me Jack D. Huggins, ILNA President, 103 Powder Mill Road Belleville Illinois 62223, and I will get some to you A.S.A.P.

I plan on being in Countryside and I look forward to meeting each and every one of you. Hope to see you there.

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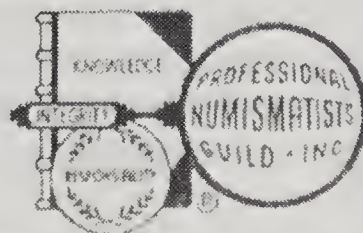
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Importance of Voting and Democracy Essay Winner

While surfing the web for a good article on the importance of voting, I found a winner.

This article came from the Secretary of State's web page for Maine. It is the Essay Winner on Voting. Enjoy !

Voting and Democracy

by Alyssa Grotton

Rockland District High School

Imagine yourself, if you will, surrounded by poverty: human beings living in dust and decay, being treated like animals, being shot for having the unique and creative human spirit, for having beliefs and ideals.

Welcome to Afghanistan.

As members of one of the most affluent countries in the world, we often wonder at the misfortune of others. While here in America some individuals are seen as "living off the system", collecting food stamps and subsisting on welfare, in some countries there isn't a system to live off of. Citizens cannot petition the government for assistance in times of distress; no federal emergency fund exists for such times. The poor cannot beg of the rich, because the rich do not exist, save for the select few who hold power. No measure goes before a Congress to be decided; two or three fanatics may make decisions for an entire country of men who own nothing and are nothing.

We as Americans take for granted the God-given rights we enjoy. Should a public official perform poorly, he simply is not reelected and someone else is elected in his stead. His performance can be considered either the fault of the people, for not seeing past his politician's façade or as an acceptable flaw in an otherwise beneficial political system. In our most recent election, Americans ridiculed our current President, George W. Bush, for his lack of vocabulary and propensity for supplementing said vocabulary with words of questionable origin. Should we not instead have been immensely thankful that we had two major candidates who would uphold our Constitution and the American way; who would not bankrupt our country; who could refrain from starving thousands of our people to death? Should we not have considered ourselves blessed that had a tyrant been elected our Congress would not have passed his mandates and our Judicial branch would have declared them unconstitutional? Americans are only now beginning to grasp

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Voting and Democracy *(Cont.)*

how fortunate we are to live in a nation in which nearly all of our public officials are elected. From elections for our President and Vice President to our city councilors and school board members, all Americans, men and women, black and white, gay and straight, atheist and Protestant have a voice and an opportunity to use it. Through the vote we have the choice to elect he who will best represent our views and ideals. Just as we are tried by our peers, we are governed by them as well, for we are the people, we are the government, and we are America. Our country is not idyllic or utopian; the events that transpired September 11, 2001 showed us just that. We are, however, the United States of America, united as a singularity miraculous governing body. This is the power and importance of voting and democracy. Therefore, the next time we complain about our President, let us consider this: would we rather have a sometime-stumbling, popularly elected President, or an eloquent dictator?

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MAKING SENSE

John D Wright, NLG

This is what life was like during the year that the US mint struck two of its great but less renowned rarities.

The Greek war for independence from Turkey gets a great boost this year when Britain, France, and Russia lend the might of their combined naval forces to the Greek cause. The Turkish fleet is wiped out in the port of Navarino by the multinational armada. This is the 'beginning of the end' for Turkish rule of Greece.

Ludwig Von Beethoven dies at age 56. Ten thousand mourners attend his funeral -- a far cry from that of Amadeus Mozart, whose body was dumped into a paupers' lye-pit just 36 years earlier.

German chemist Heinrich Merck begins the commercial production of a new drug called 'morphine'. John Walker, an Englishman, invents "the Lucifer" this year -- the world's first friction match. It ignites when drawn through a folded piece of sandpaper.

The most common land measurement, the acre, has long been defined as "the amount of land that can be plowed in one day with two oxen". This widely-varying unit is standardized this year by Britain's George IV as "an area of 40 rods by 4 rods". Since a "rod" is already standardized at 5.5 yards (16.5 feet), this makes an acre a standard 160 poles (square rods), or 43,560 square feet, or 1/640 of a square mile.

A part of Bolivar's 'Gran Colombia' calling itself "Peru" secedes and sets up an independent government, charging Bolivar with tyranny.

A sailing ship this year sets a new speed record, crossing from New Orleans to Liverpool in a mere 26 days.

Students from Paris this year introduce a new Shrove Thursday celebration in New Orleans to supplement the traditional masked balls. They call their new gala parade "Mardi Gras".

A duel on a Mississippi River sandbar proves that Major Morris Wright's sword is no match for Jim Bowie's famed knife. Bowie is slashed but survives -- Wright does not.

The Louisiana legislature approves a \$10,000 gift to the family of Thomas

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Making Sense *(Cont.)*

Jefferson. Jefferson had orchestrated the Louisiana Purchase, commissioned Lewis and Clark to explore it, and has recently died deeply in debt. Before his death he had already sold his vast personal library to the US, forming the nucleus of the Library of Congress.

Deming Jarvis of Sandwich, Mass introduces a line of products of glassware formed in molds. His pressed-glass foundry has a monopoly on glass made with red lead. Today, beautiful examples of "Sandwich glass" are highly prized by collectors.

Two Swiss brothers open a cafe and pastry shop in lower Manhattan. Giovanni and Pietro Del-Monico's shop will grow to become the famed Delmonico Restaurant.

The first NYC public transportation begins service this year. Abraham Bower's "accommodation" is a single twelve-passenger horse-drawn bus, serving a city of 200,000.

The State of New York abolishes slavery on July 4th. Ten thousand slaves are freed that day.

The states of Maryland and Virginia charter the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad to carry passengers and freight. The 380-mile railway intends to compete with the recently-opened Erie Canal to bring western goods into the port of Baltimore rather than into New York City. It proposes to use cars drawn by horses or propelled by sails.

The Miami Canal is completed, linking the Ohio River at Cincinnati to the Miami River and Lake Erie.

Fort Leavenworth is built this year on the Missouri River as a strong point for military units patrolling the Santa Fe trade route.

Jedidiah Smith, who last year blazed a trail from Salt Lake to San Diego, is ordered out by the Spaniards. He turns northward, blazing a trail up the Pacific coast to Fort Vancouver on the Columbia River. He loses ten men to Indian attacks enroute, and most of the rest of his party will be killed by Indians next year near Vancouver. Smith himself will survive a few more years before succumbing to yet another Indian attack on the Santa Fe trail.

Back east, the utopian community of New Harmony, Indiana disbands this year after a life of only two years. Founder Robert Owen, who spent three fourths of his vast fortune on the enterprise, blames the collapse of his dream on "internal anarchy bred by greed and jealousy".

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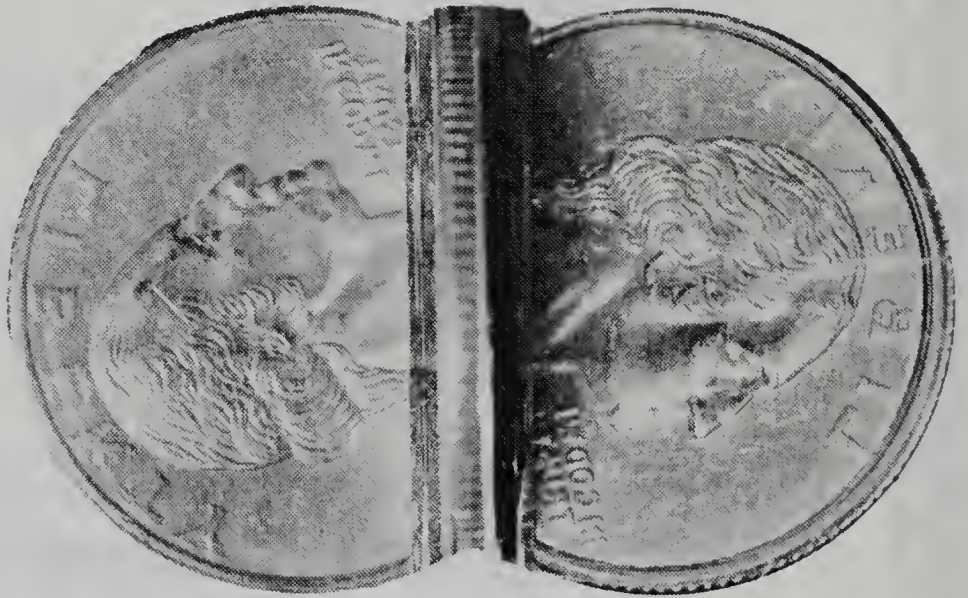
Million Dollar Coin ??

by Frank M. Zapushek

Eight or nine times a week, we receive an email asking about a very rare coin. Just received an email that you will not believe. Here is the email:

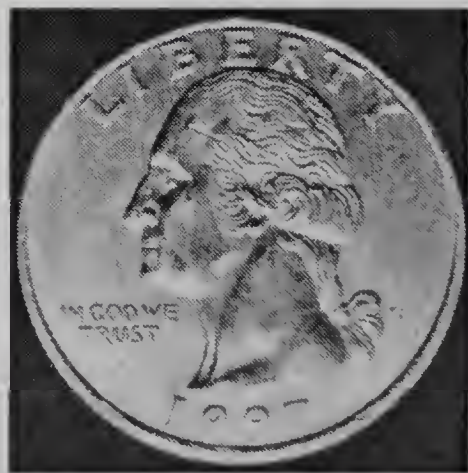
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Yes, the **two-headed coin**. Let's look at this rare and valuable coin. By using mirrors, I am able to show you both sides of a two-headed coin in one photograph. Even when looking at the coin carefully, the coin looks real.



The coin is not cut in half and no seam can be seen on the edge, even when examined under a microscope.

Now let's look at a separate photograph of each side once separated. The outside diameter of both photographs are the same size, yet notice how much smaller the 1996 obverse is than the 1997. This is because both coins have been altered by a computer controlled machine lathe.



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Secretary's Message

by Michael B. Doran

As I am typing this Secretary's Message, I have recently got married and currently I am finding married life interesting. Summer is here and just about everyone is out traveling. For us numismatists, the fun is just beginning. There are coin club meetings going on throughout our state – if there is one in your area, please attend – you'll leave a meeting knowing more than when you came in. Also, there are coin shows going on somewhere in Illinois as well, and in the ILNA Digest there is a show calendar section where you can find a show to go to. On this matter, the Central States Numismatic Society Fall Show and Convention, which ILNA is sponsoring this year, will be held from Friday, September 5 through Sunday, September 7, 2003 at Park Place of Countryside Hall in Countryside, IL (suburban Chicago). There will be dealers from all over the Midwest present, as well as seminars and an auction. Check the ILNA website at www.ilnaclub.org for more details.

There will be an election for ILNA board members this year (6 candidates for 5 seats), as well as a vote on revisions to the constitution and by-laws. I encourage all ILNA members to take a few minutes of their time and please vote on these matters.

Finally, if there are any members who have questions about their ILNA membership, please feel free to contact me either by phone at (815) 802-0544 or by e-mail at secretary@ilnaclub.org. I will reply either way as fast as possible.

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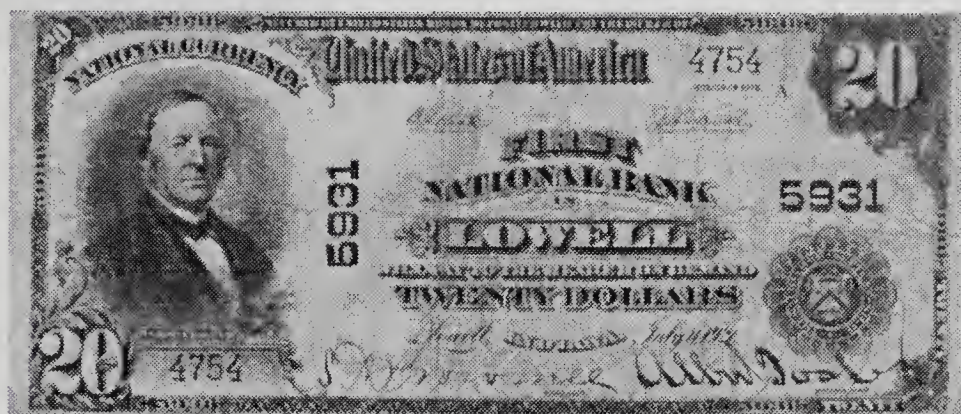
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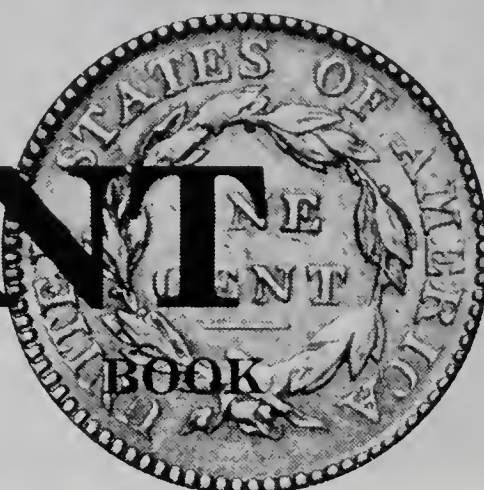
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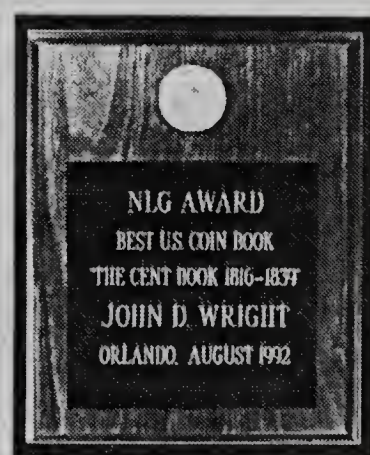
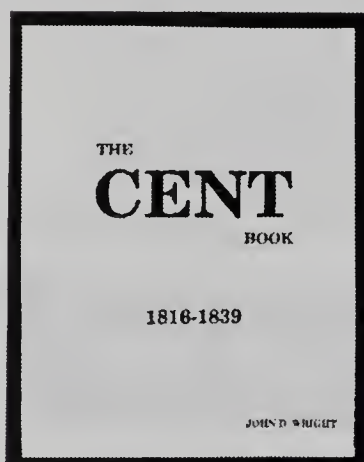
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Making Sense *(Cont.)*

In a landmark trial over the limits of state versus federal powers, the US Supreme Court rules in *Martin vs Mott* that the President of the US has the final authority to call out the state militias in the national interest.

Joseph Smith, a 22-year-old "religious seeker" in upstate New York claims that an angel has shown him the location of four buried "golden tablets" inscribed with strange markings, and a pair of mysterious stones which enable him to translate the inscriptions. According to Smith, they tell of the wanderings in America of the "ten lost tribes" of Israel, and of the post-crucifixion visit to them of Jesus, the Christ. Within a few years Smith will have published the "completed translation" of the 'Book of Mormon' and will found a church of that name.

Other noteworthy publications from this year include the first book of poems by Edgar Allen Poe and the first volume of JJ Audubon's 'The Birds of North America'. Work is begun this year on the 'Encyclopedia Americana'. The 13-volume first edition of this work will be published two years later.

A new NYC newspaper, the 'Journal of Commerce', begins publication this year, pledging that it will remain "free of immoral advertisements" and that it will "observe the Sabbath".

Ballet is first performed in the US this year at the Bowery Theater. The scanty attire, scarcely covering the ballerina's calves, so shocks the audience that every woman in the lower tier of boxes leaves the theater before the end of the three-minute performance. The remaining audience calls for an encore. In subsequent weeks, the Bowery will be destroyed by fire. Coincidence?

This year Massachussetts passes the first state high school law. Every community of 500 or more families will have a tax-supported high school. The study of US history will be mandatory.

The first swimming school in the US opens this year in Boston. Students include JJ Audubon and President JQ Adams.

These were the events and this was the shape of life in the US in 1827. During this year the US mint struck five denominations of coins -- two gold, three silver, and one copper.

Gold coins of 1827 are all rare, with the half eagle exceedingly so. Though almost 25,000 half eagles were reported as struck this year, only slightly more than a dozen examples survive today. Most of the surviving handful are new, never-circulated pieces.

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Making Sense (Cont.)

The silver coins of 1827 consist of dimes (including the rare 1827/5), half dollars (including the common 1827/6), and the exceedingly rare 1827 quarter dollar. Though mint records show 4,000 coined, only ten examples survive today. One of these (VF) was found in circulation in 1893. The other nine are all Proofs. Is the single worn coin a spent Proof? Were there ANY circulation strikes of the 1827 quarter? Likely we'll never know. The rarity of this coin was already so legendary within 30 years after this date that the "midnight manufactory" at the US mint augmented its count by a dozen more Proofs during the period that other "extreme rarities" (such as the restrike 1804 dollars) were being made and slipped out to a few well-connected collectors.

There were 2.3 million cents coined in 1827, so this is a rather common year for those. But if one delves into die varieties, we can turn up a couple of rarities. Eight obverse dies were mated with seven reverse dies to make twelve die-combination varieties of 1827 cents. Two of these would qualify as rare. Variety 10 is an evidently short-term mule between the obverse of #11 and the reverse of #1, 6. There are around 5-6 dozen of these known.

The rarest 1827 is #12, with around three dozen or so known. This is the last use of the obverse die for #3, which evidently cracked shortly after this mating was started. About half of the known examples have a radial crack from the rim between 18 to the back of the ear. I have seen one example with this crack complete, rim-to-rim, and as broad as the 1 in the date. That failure was evidently enough to retire the die. For my own collection, I searched in vain for an unattributed 1827 #12 for over thirty years -- then I found two in the same box. That's the kind of thrill that keeps this hobby fascinating.

John D. Wright is the author of "The CENT Book", which covers U.S. cents of 1816-1839. He has collected U.S. large cents for almost fifty years.

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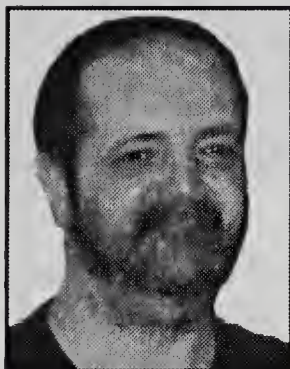
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3 New Candidates For 5 Board of Governor Seats

Donna Kay Doran - Bourbonnais, IL

Hello, I'm Donna Kay Doran, and I am a candidate for a seat on the ILNA Board of Governors. About me: I am 23 years old, recently married, and residing in Bourbonnais, Illinois. I am employed with Baker & Taylor, a large book distributing company, in Momence, Illinois. I am a proud member of ILNA, Indiana State Numismatic Association, Champaign-Urbana Coin Club, Club Of Illinois Numismatists, and the Will County Coin Club, which I am serving as Secretary. Why am I running? Because I feel that ILNA needs a board member who will bring new ideas that will benefit the hobby and the growth of the organization. If I'm elected, I will staunchly support youth in numismatics, as they are the future of the hobby. Also, I will find new, creative ways to bring in new members to ILNA, and finally, find ways to support ILNA member clubs and try to get non-member clubs into ILNA. If you vote for me, I will most certainly put the interest of the members and clubs first! Thank you for your support.



Garry Garrison - Bloomington/Normal, IL

I have lived within 30 miles of Bloomington/Normal all of my life. I started collecting when I was about 10 years old and opened our full service coin and currency shop 3 years ago.

I work full time at Pantagraph Printing and then go down and open the shop from 2:30 PM until 8 PM, so I understand the importance of hard work. In August, I will open our coin shop full time.

ILNA has had an excellent board in the past and they have worked hard to make ILNA one of the most aggressive state clubs in the country. I have many years of experience with life, collecting and as a dealer. I feel these qualities will bring new ideas to keep improving and growing ILNA. That is why I would like you to vote for me for the ILNA Board of Governors.

If you have any questions, please contact me at the shop: D & G Coins, Garry Garrison, 309 W. Beaufort St., Normal, IL. 61762, phone: 309 451-4272

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New Candidates *(Cont.)*



Donna Wasmer - Watseka, IL

I am a candidate for the Board of Directors for ILNA. I am involved in many facets of numismatics. I am a collector of Iroquois County National Bank Notes, an exhibitor of these notes in which I received Best of Show at the 2001 ILNA State Show and other awards at various shows. I have given programs to various local organizations, assisted with dealer registration at CSNS Shows and the 1999 ANA show in Chicago. I handle the entire dealer registration at the ILNA State Show (starting with preparation of badges to handing them out at the show) and issuing early bird badges.

I am a member of Florida United Numismatics, Women in Numismatics, Central States Numismatic Society, Society of Paper Money Collectors, Illinois Numismatic Association and the Wat-Cha-Kee Coin Club.

I attended the ANA Summer Seminar at Colorado Springs in 2002 on a scholarship awarded to me by WIN.

In addition to my involvement in numismatics, I am very active in my community. I am a member of the Iroquois County Board, President of the Iroquois Memorial Hospital Auxiliary, active in Beta Sigma Phi Sorority, volunteer in the marketing department at the hospital, and co-moderator for the Presbyterian Women's Association.

I feel that I am well qualified to be a member of the ILNA Board and would appreciate your vote in the upcoming election.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me: Donna L. Wasmer, 325 Coney Ave., Watseka, IL 60970 Phone No. 815-432-4636

Thank You.

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Steve Butler

Clayton Hagemann

Roy Kuester

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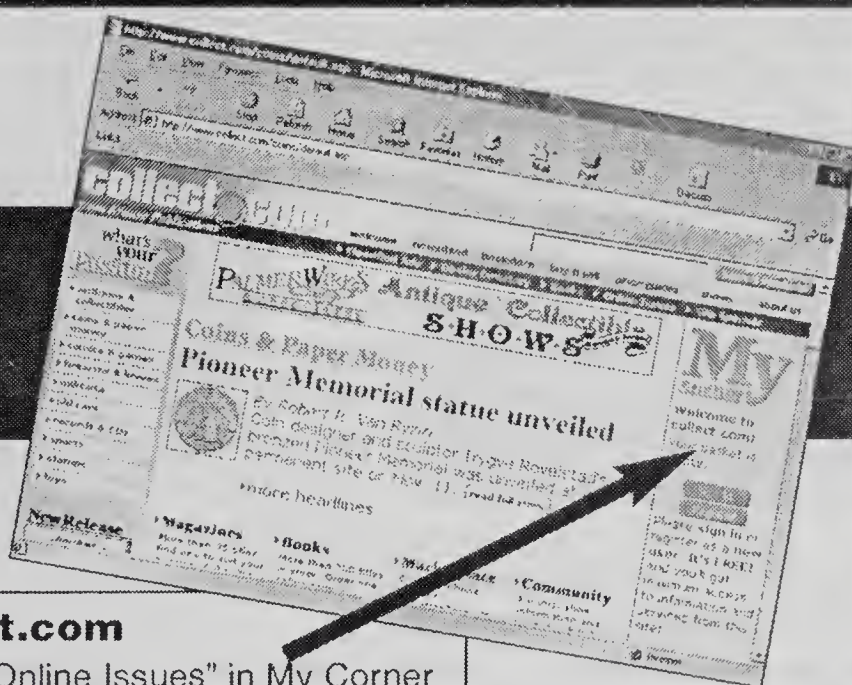
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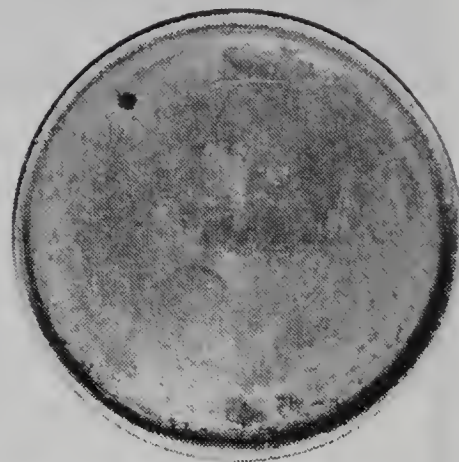
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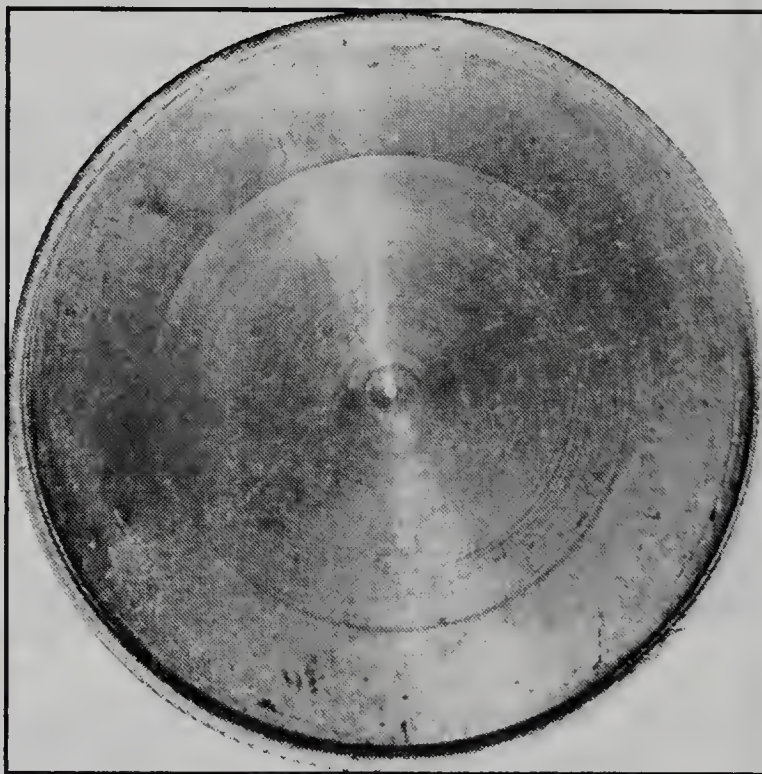
Million Dollar Coin *(Cont.)*

By looking at the reverse of the 1997 coin, you can see the lathing marks on the inside of the coin. The coin has been lathed beginning at the inside of the rim and is completely grooved out.



The 1996 coin was lathed starting at the rim and completely removing the reverse of the coin. Only leaving the clad layer and a little of the copper core. This allows the 1996 obverse to fit firmly inside this half of the 1997 obverse. Thus a two-headed quarter.

The inside of this two-headed Kennedy half dollar gives a better look at the lathe marks on the inside of the coin. Also if you look carefully, you can see the pivot point at the center. The lathe goes round and round until the correct depth as been removed.



The two-headed coins come in nickels, quarters, and half dollars. Each can have two heads or two tails. These are sometimes called a magician's coin.

One of the companies that makes these magician's coins is BR Numismatics located in Flushing Michigan. A spokesman for the company stated that two quarters are used to make one magician's coin.

A lathe that is computer controlled is used to grind out the first half to a diameter of .875 and a thickness of .031. The second half is ground down to a diameter of .874 and a thickness of .031. Then the two sides are bonded together with a little metal adhesive.

A Real Hard to Find Gem

I would like to take a few minutes to share with you and very special half eagle. The coin is an 1848 D Coronet five dollar gold piece. All gold coins struck at the Dahlonega Branch Mint in Georgia are hard to find. Only 47,465 of the 1848 D half eagle's were struck, but only 20 of these coins are known.

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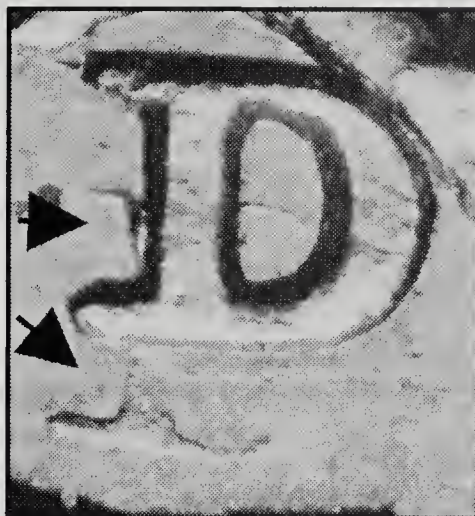
Million Dollar Coin (Cont.)

While only twenty are known, it is still not a million dollar coin. It is not chicken feed either.



Most 1848 D half eagle's are weakly struck in the center on both the obverse and the reverse. This coin is fully struck with excellent detail in the center of the coin. The coin has beautiful color and original mint luster.

What makes this coin so hard to find is the D over D mintmark. No uncirculated specimens are known. Only one specimen has been graded AU 58, while two have been graded AU 55. Several of the known specimens show a weak second "D", while this coin has a strong well defined repunched "D". The first "D" mintmark is located to the south/southwest of the primary mintmark.



Do you have the only uncirculated specimen known for this coin? What will determine you finding a "real" gem?

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JULY 26, (Sat.) Tazewell Numismatic Society 9th Summer Show Pekin, IL. *Location:* Miller Center, 551 S. 14th St., Pekin, IL. *Tables:* 30, *Fee:* \$30, *Admission:* Free, *Contact:* Dale Freidinger, PO Box 696, Pekin, IL. 61554 *Phone:* 309 353-6178

JULY 27, (Sun) Central Illinois Numismatic Association Summer Coin Show-Springfield, IL. *Location:* Northfield Center I, Northfield Drive and Dirksen Parkway (3210 Northfield Drive) Springfield, IL. *Tables:* 50 *Fee:* \$40 *Admission:* \$1 C.I.N.A. Members and children 16 and under are free. *Contact:* Jay Peniwell, 308 N. Park Ave., Springfield, IL. 62702. *Phone:* 217 793-0919

AUGUST 10, (Sun) West Suburban Coin & Collectible Expo, Countryside, IL Park Place of Countryside Banquet Hall, 6200 Joliet Road, Countryside, IL, 9 AM to 3 PM, Tables: 60, Admission: Free, Contact: Kevin Wasmer Phone: 630 969-8547, email: kwasmer@attbi.com

SEPTEMBER 4, 5, 6 & 7 (Thursday - Sunday)

CSNS Fall Coin Show and Convention hosted by the Illinois Numismatic Association (*Thursday 2:30 P.M. to 7 P.M. Dealer setup and "Earlybird" badges, Friday & Saturday 10 A.M. to 6 P.M., Sunday 10 A.M. to 3:30 P.M.* **Park Place of Countryside Banquet Hall**, 6200 Joliet Rd Countryside, IL Take I 55 to LaGrange Rd Exit 279 North, go 1.2 miles then turn left on Joliet Road, go about two blocks. Tall black bldg, entrance to hall in rear. Free parking for 700 cars. *Fee:* 6' by 8' corner \$425, 8' \$250, *Admission:* Free, *Contact:* Kermit Wasmer 325 Coney Ave. Watseka, IL 60970 *Phone:* 815 432-4636

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2003 Coin Shows

SEPTEMBER 21, (Sun) Rockford Area Coin Club 92nd Semi-Annual Coin Show, Rockford, IL 9 am to 4 pm, *Location:* Holiday Inn - Hoffman House, 7550 E. State St., Rockford, IL. *Tables:* 50 *Fee:* \$35 *Admission:* Free, *Contact:* Larry Kasberger, 2419 Circle Dr. Belvidere, IL. 61008 Phone: 815 547-6382

SEPTEMBER 27, (Sat) Tazewell Numismatic Society 43rd Annual Show Pekin, IL. *Location:* Miller Center, 551 S. 14th St., Pekin, IL. *Tables:* 30, *Fee:* \$30, *Admission:* Free, *Contact:* Dale Freidinger, PO Box 696, Pekin, IL. 61554 Phone: 309 353-6178

SEPTEMBER 28, (Sun) Lexington Coin & Card Show, 10 AM to 4 PM, Lexington Community Center, 207 W. Main St. Lexington, IL (Downtown Lexington), *Admission:* Free, *Contact:* D & G Coins - Sports Cards 309 E. Beaufort, Normal, IL. Phone 309 451-4272

OCTOBER 4, (SAT) Corn Belt Coin Club Fall Coin Show - Bloomington, IL. *Location:* McLean County Farm Bureau Building, 402 N. Hershey Rd. , Bloomington, IL *Tables:* 22, *Admission:* Free, *Contact:* Wesley N. Payton, 721 Fairmont Dr. Apt. 3, Bloomington, IL. 61704, Phone: 309 531-1809, \$5.00 "Earlybird Badges"

OCTOBER 12, (Sun) Fairfield Coin 33rd Annual Club Show, Northside Grade School, 806 North First St., Fairfield, IL, 8 AM to 4 PM, Tables 20, Fee \$25, Admission: Free, Youth Auction 2:30 PM, Contact, Elias M. Simpson, 501 W. King St., Fairfield, IL. 62837, phone: 618 842-2035

OCTOBER 12, (Sun) West Suburban Coin & Collectible Expo, Countryside, IL Park Place of Countryside Banquet Hall, 6200 Joliet Road, Countryside, IL, 9 AM to 3 PM, Tables: 60, Admission: Free, Contact: Kevin Wasmer Phone: 630 969-8547, email: kwasmer@attbi.com

NOVEMBER 9, (Sun) Central Illinois Numismatic Association Summer Coin Show-Springfield, IL. 9 AM to 4 PM *Location:* Northfield Center I , Northfield Drive and Dirksen Parkway (3210 Northfield Drive) Springfield, IL. *Tables:* 45 *Fee:* \$40 *Admission:* \$1 C.I.N.A. Members and children 16 and under are free. *Contact:* Patrick Devine, Show Chairman 217 787-3241

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NOVEMBER 15, (Sat.) Tazewell Numismatic Society 10th Holiday Show Pekin, IL. *Location:* Miller Center, 551 S. 14th St., Pekin, IL. *Tables:* 30, *Fee:* \$30, *Admission:* Free, *Contact:* Dale Freidinger, PO Box 696, Pekin, IL. 61554 *Phone:* 309 353-6178

DECEMBER 14 (Sun) West Suburban Coin & Collectible Expo, Countryside, IL Park Place of Countryside Banquet Hall, 6200 Joliet Road, Countryside, IL, 9 AM to 3 PM, *Tables:* 60, *Admission:* Free, *Contact:* Kevin Wasmer *Phone:* 630 969-8547, email: kwasmer@attbi.com

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